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Accord relatif à l'entrée en franchise de droits et à la prise en charge des frais de transport intérieur des fournitures et du matériel des institutions bénévoles, Signé à New Delhi le 5 décembre 1968

Texte authentique : anglais.

Enregistré par les États-Unis d'Amérique le 3 février 1970.

AGREEMENT DETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FOR DUTY-FREE ENTRY AND DEFRAYMENT OF INLAND TRANSPORTATION CHARGES OF VOLUNTARY AGENCY SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT

In order to facilitate the flow of and to effect the efficient entry and distribution of donated goods, supplies and equipment for development, rehabilitation, and emergency assistance for which the Administrator for the Agency for International Development may pay ocean freight charges pursuant to Section 216 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, the Government of the United States of America and the Government of India agree as follows:

Article 1

The Government of India shall accord duty-free entry into India and the States and local Governments shall levy no duty, tolls or taxes on supplies and equipment and standard packs as defined in Article 3 for agricultural development, rehabilitation, health purposes, education and vocational training, and general relief donated through United States non-profit voluntary agencies, including the American National Red Cross, qualified under applicable rules and regulations and consigned through the Regional Director of Food and other designated representatives from time to time of the Government of India at the port towns of Calcutta, Madras, Bombay, Cochin, Vishakhapatnam, or other designated ports or airports, to those agencies in India which have been or hereafter shall be approved by the Government of India.

¹ Came into force on 5 December 1968 by signature, in accordance with its provisions.

Article 2

Transportation charges (including port, storage, handling, and similar charges, as well as the cost of transportation) at and from any point of entry in India to and at the consignee's designated point of delivery in India for goods and equipment and standard packs for voluntary agency programs shall be defrayed by the Government of India.

Article 3

For the purpose of the present Agreement, supplies and equipment and standard packs for programs cited in Article I shall include the following:

Powdered milk, food grains, other foodstuffs, processed foods, multipurpose foods and food supplements (these food supplies shall be considered as supplementary and outside all ration regulations);

Drugs, medicines, multi-vitamins, hospital equipment and supplies, hospital vans and mobile clinics;

Agricultural supplies, implements, and equipment, to include agricultural tractors and well-digging equipment;

Machines, tools and books for vocational training;

Clothing and blankets;

And such other donated supplies and goods as may be acceptable to the Government of India and the Government of the United States of America.

Article 4

Individual organizations carrying out operations under this Agreement may enter into additional arrangements with the Government of India, and provisions of this Agreement shall not be construed to derogate any benefits secured by any such organizations in existing agreements with the Government of India.

Article 5

The present Agreement shall come into force immediately, replacing the arrangements in force under the Agreement of July 9, 1951, ¹ as renewed on August 25, 26 and 27, 1952. ² The present Agreement may be terminated by six months' notice given in writing by either party to the other at any time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed the present Agreement.

DONE at New Delhi in duplicate this fifth day of December, 1968.

For the Government of the United States of America:
Chester Bowles

For the Government of India:
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United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 147, p. 43.

¹ Ibid., vol. 223, p. 358.